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SUBJECT: ROK APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP IN NON-ALIGNED  
CONFERENCE (NAC)

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BELOW IS TEXT OF AIDE-MEMOIRE TO BE DISTRIBUTED BY ROK WHEN  
IT APPLIES FOR MEMBERSHIP IN NAC. (REFTELS).

BEGIN TEXT: 1. BEING DESIROUS OF PROMOTING FREINDLY AND  
COOPERATIVE RELATIONS WITH THE NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES AND OF  
CONTRIBUTING OT THE NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT, THE GOVERNMENT OF  
THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA HAS DECIDED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE  
CONFERENCE OF THE NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES. /THE GOVERNMENT OF  
THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA HAS THUS APPLIED FOR MEMBERSHIP  
IN A NOTE ADDRESSED TO THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COORDINATING  
BUREAU OF THE NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES BY THE MINISTER OF  
FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA DATED  
MAY , 1975, AS ATTACHED HERETO/. IN THIS  
CONNECTION, THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA  
WISHES TO STATE ITS POSITION AS FOLLOWS:

2. AS A NEWLY INDEPENDENT NATION LIBERATED IN 1945 FROM  
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THE YOLK OF IMPERIALISM AFTER A LONG STRUGGLE AGAINST  
COLONIAL RULE, THE PEOPLE AND GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC  
OF KOREA HAVE CLOSELY FOLLOWED THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE  
NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT WITH A DEEP SENSE OF SOLIDARITY AND

SUPPORTED, IN PARTICULAR, THE MOVEMENT OF NATIONAL LIBERATION AND THE STRUGGLE AGAINST RACIAL DISCRIMINATION IN AFRICA, ASIA AND OTHER PARTS OF THE WORLD.

3. THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA HAS NOTED WITH SATISFACTION THE SIGNIFICANT ACHIEVEMENTS MADE BY THE NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT PARTICULARLY IN STRENGTHENING THE SOLIDARITY AMONG THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES AROUND THE WORLD AND ENHANCING THEIR INTERESTS IN THE POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC FIELDS.

4. THE BASIC PRINCIPLES OF THE INDEPENDENT FOREIGN POLICY OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA, AS COUNTRY FREED FROM A COLONIAL RULE IN A RECENT DECADE, FULLY CORRESPOND WITH THE PRINCIPLES OF THE NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT, NAMELY, RESPECT FOR SOVEREIGNTY AND TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY; PEACEFUL COEXISTENCE AND NON-AGGRESSION; NON-INTERFERENCE IN INTERNAL AFFAIRS; ANTI-RACISM, ANTI-IMPERIALISM AND ANTI-COLONIALISM.

5. SINCE ITS INDEPENDENCE, THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA HAS MAINTAINED FRIENDLY RELATIONS WITH NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES IN AFRICA, ASIA AND LATIN AMERICA, AND HAS WORKED HAND IN HAND WITH THEM BOTH BILATERALLY AND MULTILATERALLY AT INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES AND ORGANIZATIONS IN PURSUIT OF COMMON GOALS. THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA HAS BEEN AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF THE GROUP OF 77 DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, AMONG OTHERS, SINCE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE GROUP IN 1964.

6. THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA THEREFORE BELIEVES THAT ITS PARTICIPATION IN THE NON-ALIGNED CONFERENCE WOULD CONTRIBUTE TO FURTHER DEVELOPING AND STRENGTHENING THE NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT. IN THAT BELIEF, THE KOREAN GOVERNMENT, WILLING TO RENDER ITS UTMOST CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE ACTIVITIES OF THE MOVEMENT, HAS DECIDED TO APPLY FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THE NON-ALIGNED CONFERENCE.

7. IN VIEW OF THE FACT THAT NORTH KOREA HAS ALSO APPLIED  
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FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THE NON-ALIGNED CONFERENCE, THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA CONSIDERS THAT ITS OWN APPLICATION SHOULD BE DEALT WITH AT THE FORTHCOMING CONFERENCE OF FOREIGN MINISTERS TO BE HELD IN LIMA, PERU IN CONJUNCTION WITH THAT OF NORTH KOREA, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE REALITIES IN THE KOREAN PENINSULA.

8. THE KOREA GOVERNMENT BELIEVES THAT IT WOULD BEST SERVE THE INTERESTS AND THE CAUSE OF THE NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT TO ALLOW BOTH THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA AND NORTH KOREA TO PARTICIPATE IN THE CONFERENCE ON AN EQUAL FOOTING, INASMUCH AS THE ADMISSION OF ONLY ONE PART OF KOREA IN THE CONFERENCE WOULD HAMPER THE INDEPENDENT

EFFORTS FOR NATIONAL RECONCILIATION AND UNITY BY THE  
KOREAN PEOPLE THEMSELVES.

9. THE SOUTH-NORTH DIALOGUE WHICH STARED AT THE INITIATIVE  
OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA IN 1971 TO SOLVE HUMANITARIAN  
PROBLEMS AND TO ACHIEVE A PEACEFUL UNIFICATION OF KOREA  
WAS UNFORTUNATELY SUSPENDED UNILATERALLY BY NORTH KOREA IN  
AUGUST 1973. HOWEVER, THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF  
KOREA HAS MADE SINCERE EFFORTS TO RESUME THE DIALOGUE WITH  
NORTH KOREA BY CONTINUING WORKING-LEVEL MEETINGS IN THE  
HOPE THAT THE SOUTH-NORTH DIALOGUE WOULD SOON BE NORMALIZED.  
IN VIEW OF THE ABOVE, IT IS HOPED THAT THE NON-ALIGNED  
CONFERENCE WOULD SUPPORT THE SOUTH-NORTH DIALOGUE AND  
ENCOURAGE NATIONAL RECONCILIATION BY ADMITTING BOTH PARTS  
OF KOREA IN CONSONANCE WITH THE PRINCIPLES OF THE NON-  
ALIGNED MOVEMENT.

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10. THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA FELL VICTIM TO THE KOREAN WAR  
WHICH LASTED FOR THREE YEARS FROM 1950, BRINGING UNTOLD  
DESTRUCTION AND SUFFERING TO THE KOREAN PEOPLE. PEACE AND  
THE PREVENTION OF RECURRENCE OF WAR ARE THEREFORE A SUPREME  
AND IMPERATIVE TASK FACING THE ENTIRE KOREAN PEOPLE. THE  
REPUBLIC OF KOREA PROPOSED A NON-AGRESSION AGREEMENT IN  
1974 WITH NORTH KORA, BUT THE AGREEMENT IS YET TO BE  
CONCLUDED. THE TENSION IN THE KOREAN PENINSULA STILL  
REMAINS UNMITIGATED.

11. THE UNITED STATES FORCES ARE PRESENT IN THE REPUBLIC  
OF KOREA AT THE REQUEST OF THE KOREAN GOVERNMENT SOLELY  
FOR THE DEFENSE OF THE REPUBLIC UNDER THE BILATERAL  
AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES AND IN FACT HAVE SERVED  
AS A DETERRENT AGAINST POSSIBLE RENEWED HOSTILITIES IN THIS

AREA.

12. WHEN A DURABLE PEACE HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED AND THE DANGER OF WAR CEASES TO EXIST, THE PEOPLE AND GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA WOULD NO LONGER CONSIDER NECESSARY THE PRESENCE OF THE UNITED STATES FORCES.

13. IT MAY ALSO BE NOTED THAT, BASED ON THEIR SOVEREIGN RIGHT TO ENSURE NATIONAL SECURITY, A NUMBER OF COUNTRIES, CONFIDENTIAL

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INCLUDING THE NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES, MAINTAIN DEFENSE ARRANGEMENTS WITH OTHER COUNTRIES, SOME OF THEM ALLOWING IN THEIR OWN TERRITORIES THE MILITARY PRESENCE OF OTHER COUNTRIES.

14. IT MAY BE PERTINENT TO ADD THAT NORTH KOREA HAS CONCLUDED THE MILITARY ALLIANCE PACTS WITH THE SOVIET UNION AND THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA, WHICH ARE STILL IN FORCE.

15. AN INCREASING NUMBER OF NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES WITH WHOM THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA HAS LONG ENJOYED DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS HAVE RECENTLY ESTABLISHED DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH NORTH KOREA, ON THE BASIS OF THEIR REALISTIC POLICY TOWARDS THE TWO PARTS OF KOREA. THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA, IN ITS NEW FOREIGN POLICY STATEMENT ON JUNE 23, 1973, DECLARED THAT IT WOULD NOT OPPOSE THE ADMISSION OF NORTH KOREA INTO THE INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS INCLUDING THE UNITED NATIONS. IN FACT, NORTH KOREA HAS JOINED A NUMBER OF INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS SUCH AS WHO, UNESCO, WMO, IAEA AND UNCTAD SINCE 1973, OF WHICH THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA HAS LONG BEEN A FULL MEMBER.

16. IN VIEW OF THE ABOVE, THE KOREAN GOVERNMENT IS CONFIDENT THAT THE APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THE NON-ALIGNED CONFERENCE BY THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA WILL MEET WITH WARM SUPPORT OF ALL THE NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES AT THE CONFERENCE OF FOREIGN MINISTERS IN LIMA.

17. IN CONCLUSION, THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA EARNESTLY HOPES THAT THE GOVERNMENT OF , AS A LEADING MEMBER OF THE NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT AND IN SOLIDARITY WITH THE PEACE-LOVING PEOPLE OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA, WOULD RENDER FULL SUPPORT TO THE ABOVE-STATED POSITION OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA AND PLAY AN ACTIVE ROLE IN FAVOUR OF THE ADMISSION OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA AT THE CONFERENCE OF FOREIGN MINISTERS OF THE NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES TO BE HELD IN LIMA IN AUGUST THIS YEAR. END TEXT.  
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